

**MUNICIPAL MINUTES, TOWN OF CHURCH POINT, STATE OF
LOUISIANA, REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 2, 2017**

ATTENDANCE

MAYOR: Russell Stelly

CHIEF OF POLICE: Albert Venable

ALDERMEN: Errol Comeaux (Ward 5), Robert Dale Wimberley (Ward 4), Gary Duplechin (Ward 3), Joy Daigle (Ward 2), Gene Malbrough (Ward 1)

ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: M. Todd Richard (Municipal Clerk),
Brad Andrus (Legal Counsel)

COMMENCEMENT

Call to order.

Mayor Stelly called the Regular Meeting to order.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation was led by Councilmember Comeaux. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by Councilmember Daigle

Consider Approval of Revised Agenda:

A motion to revise the agenda adding a liquor license exemption for Dwayne Richard Benefit to be placed under item 3(e) and a liquor license exemption for Richie Miller Benefit to be placed under item 3(f)

It was moved by Councilmember Comeaux, and seconded by Councilmember Daigle, to amend agenda and placing a liquor license exemption for Dwayne Richard Benefit under Item No. 3(e)

Public Comment offered;

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Duplechin, Wimberley, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion approved unanimously.

It was moved by Councilmember Comeaux, and seconded by Councilmember Daigle, to amend agenda and placing a liquor license exemption for Richie Miller Benefit under Item No. 3(f)

Public Comment offered;

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Duplechin, Wimberley, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion approved unanimously

Reading and approval of the minutes of the previous meeting

It was moved by Councilmember Daigle, and seconded by Councilmember Malbrough, to accept the minutes as presented.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Duplechin, Wimberley, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Motion approved unanimously.

Old Business

None

New Business

1. Engineering Report:.

Hand out provided, no action.

2. Municipal Department Reports:

a. Warrant Officer Dale Thibodeaux Monthly Report

Statistics for the Warrant/ Narcotics Division for the Month of June 2017 as follows:

5- Bench Warrants resolved by arrest or payment of warrant.

\$ 2,000 in currency collected for recovered bench warrants. 0- Bench Warrants recalled.

10 Drug Cases Completed

Could not make any arrest for the month of September due to the fact the jail was closed for repairs.

Conducted Search of residence in town which led to the solving of approx. 10 vehicle burglaries from July of 2016. This case we were able to provide Acadia and St. Landry Sheriff Dept. with the recovered items taken from burglaries in their parishes. Approx. 30 cases total which items have been claimed and cases closed. 3 arrest, 2 adults and a juvenile were made and further investigation is continuing and more arrest pending.

3. Legal

Reports:

a. *Building Codes Inspection Report –Rodney Richard.*

Mr. Richard gave a report on last month's filings. Answered questions from the council on matters from the meeting. Announced he would get with Mr. Andrus the town's attorney for those reports and with the Permit Officer for new letters to be sent out for inspections.

No Action

Amendments, Adoptions and Introduction of Ordinances

a. Amend Ordinance Section 27-66 Part 1 & Part 2 and Section 27-35 Part to raise the consumption rates on water and sewer to maintain utility bond covenants.

It was moved by Councilmember Daigle, and seconded by Councilmember Malbrough to raise the consumptions rates on water and sewer to maintain utility bond covenants taking effect on the next billing cycle.

Public Comment offered;

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Duplechin, Wimberley, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: *Motion approved unanimously.*

b. Request for Speed Bumps and Traffic Signs on Gary Drive, Murrell Addition

It was moved by Councilmember Malbrough, and seconded by Councilmember Daigle to grant the request for speed bumps and traffic signs to be placed on Gary Drive, in Murrell Addition, the location to be coordinated with City Hall before placement.

Public Comment offered;

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Duplechin, Wimberley, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: *Motion approved unanimously.*

c. Designate a School Crosswalk and Signs at 305 East Lougarre for Church Point High.

Principal Bellard requested upgrading existing crosswalks and signs and new crosswalks painted at Guidry and Horecky with appropriate signs. Council action not required.

d. Announce Date and Time for Halloween

It was moved by Councilmember Duplechin, and seconded by Councilmember Wimberley, to have Halloween set on October 31, 2017 from 5:30 p.m. to & 7:30 p.m.

Public Comment offered;

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Duplechin, Wimberley, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: *Motion approved unanimously.*

e. Liquor License exemption for the Benefit for Dwayne Richard to be held on November 5, 2017 at the Church Point Park Pavilion.

Public Comment offered;

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Duplechin, Wimberley, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: *Motion approved unanimously.*

f. Liquor License exemption for the Benefit for Richie Miller to be held on December 2, 2017 at the Church Point Park Pavilion.

Public Comment offered;

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Duplechin, Wimberley, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: *Motion approved unanimously.*

Closing:

Comments from the Chief of Police, Staff and Councilmen:

The Mayor, & Councilmembers thanked the public for attendance.

Shawandalyn Johnson spoke on YEY registration to be held on Oct. 20 & 21st. Mr. Todd

Tyler spoke on events to be held at Scottie Beans and invited the public to attend. Mr.

Harold Fonte spoke on recent events, and gave website to view recent filming held in

town. Lee Ward Bellard announce homecoming parade to be held 10-13-17 at 5:30 and

thanked the police department for help during recent events.

Adjournment

It was moved by Councilmember Daigle, seconded by Councilmember Malbrough to adjourn the meeting.

The vote was as follows:

YEAS: Comeaux, Duplechin, Wimberley, Daigle, Malbrough.

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT:

Motion approved unanimously.

RUSSELL STELLY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

M. TODD RICHARD, MUNICIPAL CLERK